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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor : Wolfgang Matthes et al.
Applic. No. : 09/848,583
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Title : Cutting Device And Method For Trimming
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RESPONSE

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks,
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated December 10, 2002, the following remarks are made:

In deference to the restriction requirement on pages 2 and 3 of the above-identified Office Action, applicants elect group I, claims 1-10, 12 and 13, for prosecution at this time.

Applicants request a rejoinder under MPEP §821.04.

In view of the foregoing, the early issuance of an Action on the merits of claims 1-10, 12 and 13 is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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